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"RELAXED AMERICANS" (360)

WASHINGTON, MARCH 26 (AP) - SEN. STEPHEN M. YOUNG, D-OHIO, COMPLAINED IN THE SENATE TODAY THAT THE GOVERNMENT HAS TOO MANY RELAXED AMERICANS OVERSEAS "LIVING HIGH ON THE HOG."

"THEIR SALARIES AND FRINGE BENEFITS ARE EXCELLENT," YOUNG SAID, "AND THEIR SOCIAL LIFE SEEMS ACTIVE."

HE SAID THE ADMINISTRATION SHOULD ELIMINATE "AT LEAST 10 PER CENT" OF ITS DIPLOMATIC, FOREIGN AID AND INTERNATIONAL INTELLIGENCE EMPLOYEES BY NOT FILLING VACANCIES WHEN RESIGNATIONS AND RETIREMENTS OCCUR.

THE AMERICAN TRAVELING ABROAD, YOUNG SAID, "WILL BE AMAZED ... AT THE MULTIPLICITY OF OUR ... ADVISERS, OBSERVERS, CONSULTANTS, AND OTHER REPRESENTATIVES ... IN EVERY CORNER OF THE GLOBE."

HE CITED EMPLOYEES OF THE FOREIGN AID AGENCY, THE U.S. INFORMATION AGENCY (USIA), THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY (CIA), MILITARY MISSIONS, "AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM VIRTUALLY EVERY FEDERAL AGENCY ON SPECIAL MISSIONS OF ONE KIND OR ANOTHER."

YOUNG SAID THAT CONGRESS SHOULD HAVE WATCH-DOG AUTHORITY OVER THE HUSH-HUSH CIA.

"OVER THE PAST TWO YEARS WE HAVE SEEN AMPLE EVIDENCE TO CAUSE US TO DOUBT THE EFFICIENCY AND GOOD JUDGMENT OF EMPLOYEES AND OFFICIALS OF THE CIA," HE SAID.

HE ADDED "THE MAIN FUNCTION OF MANY OF THESE OFFICIALS SEEMS TO BE TO SEND COMMUNICATIONS TO EACH OTHER."

YOUNG QUOTED A SOVIET EMBASSY OFFICIAL HERE AS SAYING THERE ARE 3,000 EMPLOYEES AT THE NEW CIA HEADQUARTERS AT MCLEAN, VA., AND THIS WILL BE INCREASED TO 11,000.

"FOR THE SAKE OF AMERICAN TAXPAYERS," YOUNG CONTINUED, "LET'S MAKE SURE THE SOVIET UNION IS WRONG AGAIN."

THE EMBASSY REPORTED GAVE THE FIGURES TO LYTTON H. GIBSON, A WASHINGTON ATTORNEY. HE SAID HE HAD TRIED UNSUCCESSFULLY FOR MONTHS TO OBTAIN THEM FOR A REAL ESTATE DEVELOPER FROM THE CIA AND THE WHITE HOUSE, THEN TRIED THE EMBASSY.

YOUNG SAID THAT ON VISITS TO SOUTH AMERICA AND THE FAR EAST, "I HAVE EXPERIENCED WONDERMENT OF THE HUGE NUMBER OF RELAXED AMERICANS."